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$$R_{4} \longrightarrow R_{4} R_{2} R_{2} R_{2}$$

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$$R_{5} R_{6} R_{6} R_{5} R_{5}$$

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(57) Abstract: A compound of the formula (I), or a pharmaceutically-acceptable salt, or in-vivo hydrolysable ester thereof: formula (I) wherein C is selected from D and E, formula (II) R₂a, R₆a, and R₃a are independently selected from for example H, CF₃, Me and Et;R2b and R6b are independently selected from for example H, F, CF3, Me and Et; R1b is -NRz-Z wherein Rz is for example hydrogen and Z is a 5- or 6-membered heteroaryl ring; R4 is for example an optionally substituted 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic ring system. Methods for making compounds of the formula (I), compositions containing them and their use as antibacterial agents are also described.